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## PRESS RELEASE

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## DR. PAUL V. MAYNARD INDICTED FOR ILLEGALLY DISTRIBUTING AND DISPENSING SCHEDULE II AND III PRESCRIPTION DRUGS RESULTING IN DEATH OF INDIVIDUAL

United States Attorney David M. Nissman announced today the unsealing of a one hundred and seventy (170) count federal indictment charging **DR. PAUL V. MAYNARD** with distributing and dispensing and causing the distribution and dispensing of dosage units of various Schedule II and III controlled substances, without a legitimate medical purpose and beyond the bounds of medical practice, to various individuals which and resulted in the death of one of them.

Specifically, Count One of the indictment alleges that on May 23, 2001, Dr. Paul Maynard wrote a prescription for 60 dosage units of OxyContin 40 (oxycodone), a Schedule II controlled substance, to A.H.(an individual known to the grand jury), which resulted in his death.

Counts Two and Three of the indictment charge the unlawful distribution and dispensing by prescription of dosage units of OxyContin to J.K. (an individual known to the

grand jury). Counts Four through Twenty-three charges Dr. Maynard with the unlawful distribution and dispensing by prescription of various Schedule II and III controlled substances between January 25, 2002 through December 19, 2002, to law enforcement officers, acting in undercover capacities. Counts Twenty-four through One Hundred and Seventy charge Dr. Maynard with the unlawful distribution and dispensing of dosage units by prescription of scheduled controlled substances, without a legitimate medical purpose and beyond the bounds of medical practice, to certain individuals, namely, L.B., D.L., O.K., P.Z. and T.C. (known to the grand jury) on various dates from about December 22, 2000 through January 28, 2003.

Count One of the indictment charging distribution and dispensing a controlled substance resulting in death carries a maximum term of life imprisonment, a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 20 years and a \$1,000,000 fine. Counts Two through One Hundred and Seventy carries a statutory maximum penalty of twenty years imprisonment and a \$1,000,000 fine on each count in the case of the Schedule II controlled substances and a maximum statutory penalty of five years imprisonment and a \$250,000, in the case of the Schedule III controlled substances.

Attorney Nissman thanked Jerome Harris, Special Agent -In-Charge, of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the field offices on St. Thomas, San Juan, Puerto Rico and New Hampshire, along with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, for their hard work in successfully investigating and bringing this case to fruition.

Attorney Nissman emphasized that the indictment is merely a formal charge, and this defendant, as are all defendants, is presumed to be innocent unless and until guilt is established at trial.